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In re Application of  
Satoshi Hirano, et. al.  
Application No. 09/889,090  
Filed: June 26, 2002  
Attorney Docket No. PHJ 99-024

**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed on June 13, 2007, to revive the above-identified application.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely respond to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due mailed September 7, 2006. A Notice of Abandonment was mailed on January 8, 2007.

It is not apparent whether the statement of unintentional delay was signed by a person who would have been in a position of knowing that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date for the reply until the filing of a grantable petition pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(b) was unintentional. Nevertheless, in accordance with 37 CFR 10.18, the statement is accepted as constituting a certification of unintentional delay. However, in the event that petitioner has no knowledge that the delay was unintentional, petitioner must make such an inquiry to ascertain that, in fact, the delay was unintentional. If petitioner discovers that the delay was intentional, petitioner must so notify the Office.

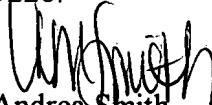
There is no indication that the person signing the instant petition was ever given a power of attorney or authorization of agent to prosecute the above-identified application. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.34(a), the signature appearing on the petition shall constitute a representation to the United States Patent and Trademark Office that he/she is authorized to represent the particular party in whose behalf he/she acts. However, if petitioner desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney or authorization of agent must be submitted. A courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to petitioner. Nevertheless, all future correspondence regarding this application will be directed solely to the address of record until otherwise instructed.

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b), in that, petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of \$1,400 for payment of the issue fee; (2) the petition fee of \$1,500; and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay. Therefore, the petition is GRANTED.

The Office also acknowledges receipt of an Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) with \$180 fee and \$12 for four (4) advanced order soft copies filed on June 13, 2007.

This application file is being referred to Technology Center Art Unit 2629, for consideration of the IDS filed on June 13, 2007, as being submitted prior to payment of the issue fee.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-  
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